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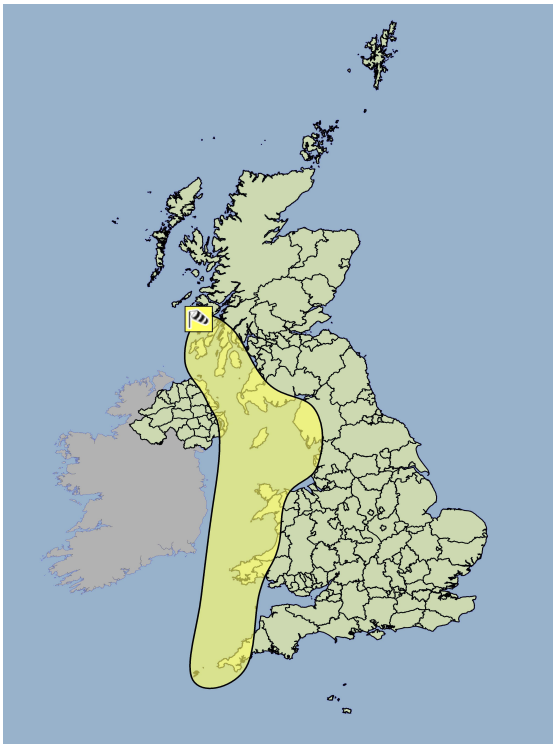

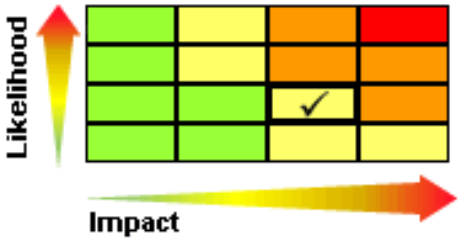

Chief Forecasters Assessment
Another deep area of low pressure is expected to develop over the Atlantic Ocean mid-week, bringing another spell of wet and windy weather across the UK as it tracks northeastwards past northwestern Britain later on Thursday and during Friday. Wind is expected to increase across the area after dark on Thursday with peak winds thought most likely to occur during Friday daytime.

Relative to recent storms that have affected the UK, Friday's depression is looking less intense and the extent of associated impacts are currently thought to be less widespread and less severe. However, at this stage there remain some uncertainties concerning the track and depth of this storm and this warning will be re-assessed and updated over the coming days.

The Met Office have issued a **Yellow Alert** of **Wind**

Valid from **00:05 on Fri, 27th Dec 2013** until **21:00 on Fri, 27th Dec 2013**

Widespread gales are expected with gusts of over 60 mph, especially over coastal areas and high ground.

The public should be aware of the potential for disruption, especially where the high winds are combined with heavy rainfall. Please watch for updates to this warning over the coming days, especially those who have travel plans.

For more details please go to:
http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/public/weather/warnings

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